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Applicant: M. Cynthia Goh et al.

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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSAY FOR MULTIPLE ANALYTES

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Examiner :

Docket No.: 13626

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION-FILING DATE GRANTED

Submitted herewith is a copy of FORM PTO-1533 together with a Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventors.

Also being submitted are ten (10) sheets of formal drawings wherein the margins have been corrected in accordance with the requirement outlined in the Notice to File Missing Parts.

Please note that applicants is a large entity, therefore, the fees are being submitted based on a large entity.

A check in the amount of \$1730.00 is also enclosed, which includes the government filing fee of \$710.00, \$130.00 for the late filing of the signed declaration and \$890.00 for additional independent claims and claims in excess of twenty. Any deficiencies in the fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Also being submitted under a separate cover letter is an Information Disclosure Statement and listed references.

It is now believed that the application should be ready for

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normal processing. In the event any additional information is required by the Application Branch it would be appreciated if they would contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$445.
 - \$405 for 45 total claims over 20.
 - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 865.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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